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Smith Library to Host Anime Event: Tosho-Kon@SPL

WHAT: Celebrate anime and manga fandom at Smith Public Library's Tosho-Kon@SPL

mini convention, Saturday, March 29, 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Ages 4th grade to adult are welcome; children age 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Please register by calling 972-516-6250.

Join us for a cosplay contest, anime trivia, screenings, a manga swap and a traditional Japanese tea ceremony. Manga brought for the swap must be rated All,

Teen or Older Teen. Lunch will be provided and registration is required.

Anime and manga – Japanese animation and comics – still ride a wave of popularity in America since the Cartoon Network first aired *Dragon Ball Z* and *Sailor Moon* over 20 years ago. Through the unique look and style of storytelling, anime and manga provide a gateway to Japanese and other Asian cultures inspiring loyal fans and avid readers.

Traditional Japanese Tea Ceremony

Urasenke Tankokai DFW Association has presented *chado* – the way of tea – throughout the DFW Metroplex for many years. Developed over four hundred years, the "way of tea" is based upon a set of movements, unique utensils, and Japanese traditional history and culture, enabling the host and guests "to share a bowl of tea in a comfortable atmosphere conducive to mutual exchange."

WHEN: Saturday, March 29, 2014

10:00 am - 3:30 pm

WHO: Anime and Manga fans ages 4th grade to adult

WHERE: Smith Public Library

300 Country Club Road, Building #300

Wylie, Texas 75098

INFO: www.facebook.com/smithpubliclibrary

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